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I-89 SOUTHBOUND LANES REOPENED IN SUTTON

CLOSED SINCE AUGUST 21 FOR LEDGE REMOVAL WORK

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces the reopening today (November 13) of the southbound lanes of Interstate 89 between Exit 9 and Exit 10 in Sutton, which have been closed to traffic to allow for ledge removal. Traffic has been detoured onto divided lanes on the northbound I-89 barrel since August 21. An estimated 20 thousand cubic yards of ledge have been removed to eliminate any potential hazards for motorists.

Also reopened today is the I-89 southbound Welcome Center in Sutton that is located in the affected detour area.

A lane restriction is still in place for the rest of this week for bridge maintenance operations at the I-89 southbound bridge over Gile Pond Road near Exit 10.

Northbound traffic on I-89 between Exit 9 and Exit 10 will continue to be reduced to one lane for two to three more days to allow for the removal of lane markings associated with the previous detour traffic patterns.

Weaver Brothers, Inc. of Bow, New Hampshire is the contractor for the \$3.4 million project, which is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2007.